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Inventor: AVRAM, Vlad Iorgulescu  
Title: Substance and Microclimate Simulator  
Application No: 09/920,990  
Filing Date: August 3, 2001  
Our Reference: T8466417US

To: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Date: January 8, 2003

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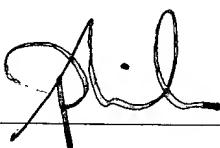
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